



Deputy Judge Advocate General U.S. Army Major General Joseph B. Berger III



Major General Joseph B. Berger III graduated from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point in 1992 and was commissioned into the Military Police Corps, where he served as a Platoon Leader (including a tour in Mogadishu, Somalia from July to December, 1993), Company Executive Officer, and Battalion Supply Officer and Adjutant. Major General Berger was subsequently selected for the Army's Funded Legal Education Program and received his juris doctor from the George Mason University School of Law.

Major General Berger most recently served as the Commanding General, The Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School. His previous assignments include: Staff Judge Advocate, U.S. Army Cyber Command; Chief, Investigations and Legislative Division, Office of the Chief Legislative Liaison, Washington, DC; Chief, Plans Branch of Personnel, Plans and Training Office, Office of The Judge Advocate General, Washington, DC; Staff Judge Advocate, Joint Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Deputy Team Chief and later Assistant Director, Multi-National Force-Iraq; Group Judge Advocate, 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment (Airborne), Fort Campbell, Kentucky; Chief, Criminal Law, United States Army Air Defense Artillery Center and Fort Bliss, Fort Bliss, Texas; Chief, Legal Assistance, later Administrative and Operational Law Attorney, 1st Brigade, 1st Armored Division, Germany. Major General Berger's operational deployments include OPERATIONS RESTORE HOPE (Somalia) and JOINT GUARD (Kosovo), and multiple tours in support of both OPERATIONS ENDURING FREEDOM (Afghanistan) and IRAQI FREEDOM / NEW DAWN (Iraq).

Major General Berger holds a Masters of Law in International Law (LL.M) from The Judge Advocate General's Legal Center and School (Distinguished Graduate) and a Master's of Science in National Security Strategy from the National War College (Distinguished Graduate). His military awards include the Legion of Merit with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Bronze Star Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Meritorious Service Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Joint Service Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster,

the Army Commendation Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Joint Service Achievement Medal, the Army Achievement Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, the Valorous Unit Award (Somalia) and the Presidential Unit Citation (Joint Task Force Neptune). He is authorized to wear the Combat Action Badge, the Parachutist's Badge, the German Parachutist's Badge (Fallschirmspringerabzeichen), and the Army Staff Identification Badge.

Major General Berger and his wife, Brenna, have two children. His passions are his family, photography, and sailing.